fellowship is vacated or discontinued, the institution shall return any unexpended funds to the Secretary at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may require.

- (b) If a fellow withdraws from an institution before completion of an academic term, the institution shall refund to the Secretary a prorated portion of the institutional payment that it received with respect to that fellow. The institution shall return those funds to the Secretary at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may require.
- (c) A fellow who withdraws from an institution before completion of an academic term for which the fellow received a stipend installment shall return a prorated portion of the stipend installment to the institution at such time and in such manner as the Secretary may require.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134b)

§ 650.44 What records and reports are required from institutions?

- (a) An institution shall provide to the Secretary, prior to receiving funds for disbursement to a fellow, a certification from an appropriate official at the institution stating whether that fellow is making satisfactory progress in, and is devoting essentially full time to the program for which the fellowship was awarded.
- (b) An institution shall keep such records as are necessary to establish the timing and amount of all disbursements of stipends.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134c)

PART 654—ROBERT C. BYRD HONORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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Subpart A—General

§654.1 What is the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program?

Under the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program, the Secretary makes grants to the States to provide scholarships for study at institutions of higher education to outstanding high school graduates who show promise of continued excellence, in an effort

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to recognize and promote student excellence and achievement.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-31, 1070d-33)

§654.2 Who is eligible for an award?

- (a) States are eligible for grants under this program.
- (b) Students who meet the eligibility criteria in §§ 654.40 and 654.51 are eligible for scholarships under this program.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-33, 1070d-36)

§654.3 What kind of activity may be assisted?

A State may use its funds under this program, including funds collected from scholars under §654.60(a)(3), only to make scholarship payments to scholars.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-35, 1070d-38)

§654.4 What regulations apply?

The following regulations apply to this program:

- (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) as follows:
- (1) 34 CFR 75.60-75.62 (regarding the ineligibility of certain individuals to receive assistance under part 75 (Direct Grant Programs)).
- (2) 34 CFR part 76 (State-Administered Programs).
- (3) 34 CFR part 77 (Definitions that Apply to Department Regulations).
- (4) 34 CFR part 79 (Intergovernmental Review of Department of Education Programs and Activities).
- (5) 34 CFR part 80 (Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments).
- (6) 34 CFR part 82 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).
- (7) 34 CFR part 85 (Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)).
- (8) 34 CFR part 86 (Drug-Free Schools and Campuses).
 - (b) The regulations in this part 654.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070d-31 et seq.)

§654.5 What definitions apply?

(a) Definitions in EDGAR. The following terms used in this part are defined in 34 CFR 77.1:

EDGAR

Fiscal year

Private

Public

Secretary

State

State educational agency

(b) Other definitions. The following definitions also apply to this part:

Award year means the period of time from July 1 of one year through June 30 of the following year.

Cost of attendance has the meaning given that term in section 472 of the HEA

Full-time student means a student enrolled at an institution of higher education who is carrying a full-time academic workload, as determined by that institution under standards applicable to all students enrolled in that student's program.

HEA means the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

High school graduate means an individual who has—

- (i) A high school diploma;
- (ii) A General Education Development (GED) Certificate; or
- (iii) Any other evidence recognized by the State as the equivalent of a high school diploma.

Institution of higher education means any public or private nonprofit institution of higher education, proprietary institution of higher education, or postsecondary vocational institution, as defined in section 481 of the HEA.

Participating State means a State that has submitted a participation agreement that has been approved by the Secretary.

Scholar means an individual who is selected as a Byrd Scholar.

Scholarship means an award made to a scholar under this part.

Secondary school year means the period of time during which a secondary school is in session, as determined by State law.

Year of study means the period of time during which a full-time student at an institution of higher education is expected to complete the equivalent of